



BARREN RIVER LAKE MASTER PLAN HIGHLIGHTS

Updated December 2021

The Revised Plan

The final revised Master Plan provides a framework for consistent, responsible decision-making at Barren River Lake for the next 15 to 25 years. The Plan includes the provision of enhanced recreational opportunities for the public through various forms of low-impact, passive recreation. Two significant efforts were conducted in order to obtain the necessary information to guide revision decisions and future management of Barren River Lake:



Biological Inventories

Biological inventories were necessary to determine the existence of special status species populations occurring on project lands as well as determine if significant changes in existing populations have occurred. The results of this inventory assisted in the identification and mapping of environmentally sensitive areas.



Public Input

Input from the public was incorporated into the Master Plan to ensure that future management actions are both environmentally sustainable and responsive to public outdoor recreation needs.

Summary of Recommendations

Updated land and water classifications

Improved recreation

- Modernize campgrounds
- Improve boat ramps and expand parking in day use areas
- Improve and expand trail systems
- Improving shoreline fishing access and provide ADA accessibility

Improved natural resource management

- Continue to manage pollinator plots
- Control invasive species

Questions:



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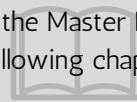


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FORMAT OF THE MASTER PLAN

The sections of the Master Plan will include the following chapters:



- 1 Introduction:** Reviews the purpose and overview of the project and the Master Plan.
- 2 Project Setting and Factors Influencing Management and Development:** Details natural and cultural resources, hydrology of the lake, visual qualities, economic factors, topography, etc.
- 3 Resource Objectives:** Details the goals and resource objectives at the lake.
- 4 Land and Water Use Classifications:** Details land and water allocations and classifications.
- 5 Resource Plan:** Outlines land and water classification areas such as operations areas, high and low density recreation areas and wildlife management areas.
- 6 Special Topics:** Covers various topics such as partnerships with local organizations, including the Friends of Barren River Lake, Southwest Kentucky Mountain Bike Association and Boy Scouts of America.
- 7 Agency and Public Coordination:** Details how public comments were collected and evaluated.
- 8 Summary of Recommendations:** Details a summary of the findings and proposed actions of the Master Plan.
- 9 Bibliography:** Details any additional sources cited in the Master Plan.
- A Appendices:** Includes the Environmental Assessment, Park Maps, Public and Agency Comments, etc.



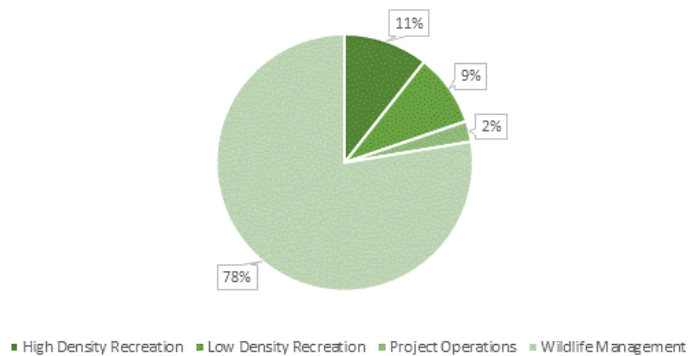


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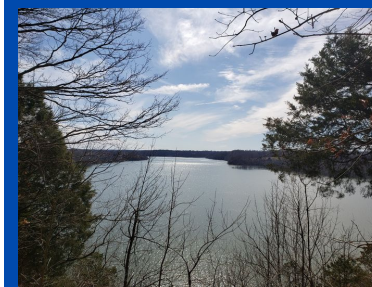
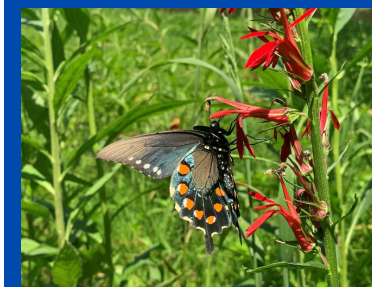
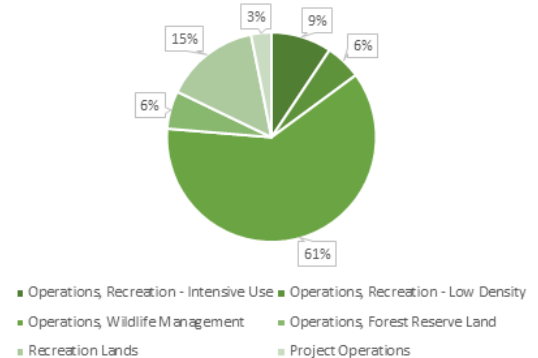
Future Recommendations

-  Improve ADA accessibility for shoreline fisherman
-  Install solar panels to reduce carbon footprint and utility bills
-  Expand and improve existing trail systems
-  Add Wi-Fi to campgrounds
-  Modernize restroom facilities
-  Improve paddle craft access in day use areas
-  Continue to manage pollinator plots and bee hives
-  Add new dog park
-  Improve beach facilities and boat ramps

Land Classification Acres 2021



Land Classification Acres 1985



Where to find the plan: <https://go.usa.gov/xEQf8>